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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
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Applicant(s): Stephen SOLOMON

Serial No. : 10/625,079

Filed : July 22, 2003

For : PERCUTANEOUS SURGICAL
INSTRUMENTS AND METHODS
USING THE SAME

Art Unit : 3739

Examiner : Peter J. Vrettakos

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed May 31, 2005,
the term for response to which expires on June 30, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-15 are
maintained; claims 16-19 are amended; and claim 20 is canceled.

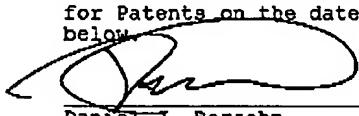
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